

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☐
no ☐

Property Name: Westgate ~~District~~ Survey District Inventory Number: B5097/BA3192
Address: Area west of Ten Hills and south of MD 40, extending into Catonsville Historic district: X yes ☐ no ☐
City: Baltimore/Catonsville Zip Code: 21229 County: Baltimore City
USGS Quadrangle(s): Baltimore West
Property Owner: various Tax Account ID Number: n/a
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): _____ Tax Map Number: _____
Project: Red Line Corridor Transit Study Agency: Mass Transit Administration
Agency Prepared By: John Milner Associates, Inc.
Preparer's Name: Katherine Larson Farnham Date Prepared: 8/17/2005
Documentation is presented in: Enoch Pratt Free Library Maryland Room files; Maryland state real property tax records; Roderick Ryon, West Baltimore Neighborhoods: Sketches of their History 1840-1960 (1993)
Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: X Eligibility recommended ☐ Eligibility not recommended
Criteria: A B X C D Considerations: A B C D E F G
Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:
Name of the District/Property: _____
Inventory Number: _____ Eligible: ☐ yes ☐ Listed: ☐ yes ☐
Site visit by MHT Staff ☐ yes ☒ no Name: _____ Date: _____

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

This district has two inventory numbers (B-5097 and BA-3192) because it encompasses areas within Baltimore City and Baltimore County.

The Westgate District is an irregular-shaped neighborhood located on the south side of Baltimore National Pike (MD 40) between the Ten Hills district and the Baltimore City line, and extends across the city line to include Charing Cross Rd. and Old Frederick Rd. It is a residential district including a variety of homes dating from the first 1910s suburban development in this area to the final filling in of lots in the 1950s. A variety of popular home types and styles are present, including single-family and duplex housing in the Colonial Revival, Tudor Revival, American Foursquare, Craftsman, and Minimal Traditional styles. The majority of homes date to pre-1940, with the earliest constructed ca. 1913. The last group of homes was constructed in the 1950s. In general, the houses are of average size and of higher-end construction, possessing details more distinctive than the average builder home of their era. The frequent use of natural stone, slate roofs, half-timbering, and elaborate door surrounds suggests quality construction. Some of the older homes on slightly larger lots are clearly custom-built, particularly the Colonial Revival example at 606 Charing Cross Rd., built in 1913.

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Eligibility recommended ☐ Eligibility not recommended ☒

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MHT Comments:

John Stalman
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

7/26/06
Date

Elizabeth
Reviewer, National Register Program

8/7/06
Date

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The advent of streetcar transit opened up formerly rural areas at the city outskirts to suburban development. Catonsville had already become a popular area for country homes by 1900, and streetcars ran from Baltimore to Catonsville on Edmondson Avenue. The advent of the elegant planned suburb of Ten Hills also encouraged development of surrounding areas, including the land immediately to the west of Ten Hills on what is now the city boundary. Many white families left their city neighborhoods for suburbs like this one during population shifts following World War I. The phenomenon of "white flight" was part of this suburban growth, as well as a desire for detached homes with more land. This neighborhood, spanning the city-county line, became known as Westgate. Streets within Westgate have different character, depending on when they were built up. Some streets, like Charing Cross Rd. and part of Greenwich Ave., are dominated by Craftsman bungalows and other styles popular in the 1920s, while slightly newer streets, like Stamford Rd., feature Tudor or Colonial Revival duplexes. Each street possesses some mixture of styles and some lots that were filled later than others. The neighborhood setting, with relatively small lots and many trees, has remained intact. The overall architectural integrity of the neighborhood is above average, though there has been some use of replacement windows and siding. Westgate illustrates the progression of an unplanned Baltimore streetcar suburb from the earliest custom homes to spacious 1920s bungalows and Tudors to the duplexes of the 1940s. It is recommended eligible for the NRHP under criterion C.

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BA 3192/B 5097

5205 Old Frederike Rd., Westgate District

Baltimore County + Baltimore City, MD

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BA-3192/B-5097

5200 blk. Old Frederike Rd., Westgate District

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606 Charing Cross Rd., Westgate District

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500 blk. Charing Cross Rd., Westgate District

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5100 blk. Greenwich Ave., Westgate District

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5100 blk. Greenwich Ave., Westgate District

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BA-3192



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5100 blk. Edmondson Ave., Westgate District

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600 blk. Stamford Rd, Westgate District

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